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President Carter responding to questions after his news conference at the Old Executive Office Building

...a time of uncertainty, creates a dampening effect on the economy and on the attitude of businessmen toward future investments. But the alternative was to ignore the energy problem for months and perhaps years.

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perform. So I believe that these kinds of criticisms that might have come from Mr. Burns, that the volume of proposals might have created uncertainty, are just honest differences of opinion, and I think I've made the right decisions. I agree with Mr. Burns that the profitability of our free enterprise system, the business profits, ought to be up. And one of the things that I hope to do with the tax reform proposals and with the tax reform proposals and others is to improve capital retention so that new investments can be made to provide new jobs.

I might say in closing that I welcome to the Senate the new members of the oil group, official position on these oil and commercial energy policies that I would consult with them ahead of time.

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The criticisms have been made, but the substance and not the style.

My own attitude toward leadership in politics. When I was Governor of Georgia and since I've been President and during the campaign is all, we tried to analyze the most difficult questions that face our nation and to be kind or reticent about each; to find solutions for them—recognizing that some of them are insoluble in nature, some of them have very difficult aspects that almost defy solution, but that they're all important to our country.

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It obviously might be necessary to do some compromising, otherwise the conference committee would be in a hopeless position. But I think it is still completely compatible with what we proposed to the Congress last April. I outlined in my opening statement that the three basic principles—one is to protect the interests of American consumers and not to permit windfall profits for the oil companies, secondly,

A. We are not deciding at this point on any sort of general trade embargo or investment embargo. The additional steps that might be taken beyond an arms

9. Questions for Liddy

Q. Mr. President, when he got out of jail recently, Gordon Liddy expressed gratitude for his early release and he said not been decided.

that he felt himself bound to carry out any orders from the Commander in Chief. Sir, given that situation, and in order to put the record straight at long last, do you think it would be proper for you to instruct him to say what he was doing in the Waagega, what he was looking for, who authorized the burglary and any other information he might have?

a. Well I've not had any contact with Mr. Liddy at all, either before or after he was released from prison, and my recollection is that he never gave me any negative assessment of Mr. Liddy is that he

But I think the general sense of the polls that we discussed at that luncheon meeting was that there's an inherent optimism in our country, there's a concern about the multiplicity of programs that we are addressing at this

point and the fact that the American people can't understand all that many proposals at one time. And one of the things we discussed is what I said earlier that I would think that after this year, as far as I can see in my own plans, most of major problems would be addressed. But it was a friendly meeting and there was nothing to be concerned about.

11. Rights of Palestinians

As I described in my United Nations speech, as do all human beings. The Palestinians are one major group of refugees that have been created in the

12. "Meddling" in South Africa